PAPER Claim Submission Guidelines Institutional and Professional

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Basic information and guidelines for submission of PAPER claims SPECIFIC TO BC3NP & WISEWOMAN:

- **★** Claim forms must be mailed flat, without folding, in 9" x 12" or larger envelopes. **Do not fold the form**.
- **★** Use only black ink.
- **★** Do not write or print on the claim, except for the Provider Signature Certification.
- **★** Handwritten claims are not acceptable.
- **★** UPPER CASE alphabetic characters are recommended.
- **★** Do not use italic, script, orator, or proportional fonts.
- **★** 12-point type is preferred.
- **★** Make sure the type is even (on the same horizontal plane) and within the boxes.
- **★** Only service line data can be on a claim line. Do not squeeze comments below the service line.
- **★** Do not send damaged claims that are torn, glued, taped, stapled, or folded. Prepare another claim.
- **★** Do not use correction fluid or correction tape, including self-correcting typewriters.
- **★** Claims must be original (red claim forms). Do not submit photocopies.

Providing attachments (Primary Insurance EOB):

- ★ Mail claim forms with attachments **flat**, with **no folding**, in 9" x 12" or larger envelope.
- ➤ Do not send attachments unless the attachment is required. Any unnecessary attachments, such as statement detail or client account information, will delay processing of claims.

Mailing address for all PAPER claims:

MDCH - Claims 109 W Michigan Ave. WSB - 5th Floor Lansing, MI 48933

<u>DO NOT</u> address to "**Nationwide**" or "**Health Advantage**" or "**Medicaid**". Our programs have no affiliation w/ those entities. Claim processing may be delayed.

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866-930-6324 – Phone 517-763-0290 – Fax

Claims will **NOT** be accepted via fax.

Paper claim forms MUST be on RED-INK forms

- **★** Institutional claims (UB-04): OMB-0938-0997 in the lower right hand corner
- **★** Professional claims (CMS-1500): OMB-0938-1197 in the lower right hand corner

Electronic Claims

- **★** Electronic claims can be submitted through he DEG (Data Exchange Gateway) or through a clearinghouse (example: Netwerkes).
- ★ Agencies submitting claims electronically must use the ASC X12N 837 5010 A1 institutional format.

Remittance Advice (RA):

* RAs are available in paper (via FAX - sent every Thursday morning) and electronic formats, and utilize the HIPAA-compliant national standard claim adjustment group codes to (835 RA) report claim status. If you are interested in receiving an 835RA, please contact Tory Doney at *DoneyTamichigan.gov* for additional details.

Equipment

Keep equipment properly maintained to avoid the following:

- ★ Dirty print elements with filled character loops.
- **★** Light print or print of different density.
- **★** Breaks or gaps in characters.
- **★** Ink botches or smears in print
- **★** Worn out ribbons.
- **★** Dot matrix printers should not be used as they result in frequent misreads by the OCR (Optical Character Reader).